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Dear Ms. Hiner:

I OPPOSE THE DRAFT M.O.U. being proposed by the FDA. In particular, I OBJECT to the definition of "inordinate amount" which restricts the availability and the right to obtain medically necessary compounded medications by limiting the number of prescriptions that can be shipped across state lines from specialized compounding pharmacies.

This is an emergency! Women in menopause like myself need to obtain compounded hormone prescriptions from out-of-state pharmacies because local chain pharmacies are unable to provide these specialized prescriptions. I have had a lot of trouble finding the right combination and delivery agent cream for my hormones. If I cannot have the hormones I need, I can't sleep, have continous hot flashes, and total misery. Premarin and Provera have side effects for me; other standard preparations also have side effects or difficulties controlling the dose.

This proposal is an unfair restriction on compounding pharmacies. At the same time, internet pharmacies are mailing out huge amounts of prescription drugs. Is it only the large corporations who will be allowed to sell across state lines? What about those of us who just can't use their products and need specialized prescriptions?

Please do not restrict our lives in such a way!

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